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Curtains		\$2,00
11 prs. Net Curtains	\$3.50	\$2.25
4 prs. Net Curtains		\$3.00
7 prs. Net Curtains	\$4.00	\$3.00
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75c. to \$1 Un= 25c. trimmed Hats. Untrimmed Hats for Women, Misses and Children, in all stylish effects—some made on wire frames, some machine made.

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Not the cheap rough-and-ready straw hats which others are effering at a little less than 38c. Ours are the genuine Jap rough split straw and are in a great variety of shapes—walking medium and large short-back effects—rolling brims. Equal of them are selling at 75c. elsewhere.

Rough Jap. Straw \$ 1 .48 Trimmed Hats, Women's Rough Jap Straw Hats-trim-med with pelka dot ribben and silks, breasts and quills instead of \$2.48-to-morrow, \$1.48.

One-day Sale of Trimmed Hats.

\$1.88 for \$3 and \$4 Trimmed Hats. \$2.88 for \$5 to \$7 Trimmed Hats.

Black Velvet Ribbons--Lowest Yet.

Women's \$2 Polka Dot Skirts, 98c.

Lot of Black and Blue Polks Dot Skirts; braid trimmed; full width and most per-fectly made; skirts like those selling about town at \$2; here for 98c.

\$3.48 for Women's \$5 and \$6 Shirt Waist Suits.

Lot of the new Duck and Chambray Shirt Waist Suits, in all colors and trim-med handsomely; with the new flare skirts; a great variety of styles; the very fashlonable suit of the season, which is being shown about town at \$5 and \$6; here at \$3.48.

87c. Waists, 49c. 50 dozen White Lawn and India Linen Walsts-some with fronts of Point de Paris lace inserting; soft collar and cuffs; some with rows of Swiss inserting; also some all-over tucked back and front, soft collars-Walsts worth up to S7c., special, 49c.

\$1 Madras Waists, 69c. One lot of Soft Madras Waists, French backs, long waist effect in front, bishop sleeves, embracing a variety of pretty striped effects—these waists were bought to sell at \$1.00, special, 69c.

39c. Neckwear, 19c. Bobinet Ties, with white and colored piping. Also Swiss, with colored piping and collar tabs attached, in plain white 

\$1.75 Waists, 98c. One lot of White India Linen and Persian Lawn Waists, in 10 different styles; some with sallor collar trimmed elaborately with embroidered inserting, tucked fronts; cuffs and collars tucked; some fronts; cuffs and collars tucked; some with whole front of Swiss inserting and small pleats, soft collar tucked; tucked back; others trimmed with Val. lace back and front; Waists in this lot worth up to \$1.75, special, 98c.

\$1.25 Waists, 69c. Made of white India linen, excellent grade; front and back of fine hemstitch-ing and tucks; some with rows of Swiss embroidery and tucks, others are plain. Excellent values at \$1 and \$1.25. We offer for 60c.

75c. Boys' Blouses,

One lot of Boys' India Linen Plouses, deep sailor collar; trimmed with wide embroidery; embroidery trimmed down front. Our regular 75c. Waist, will go for 49c.

39c. Child's Dresses.

One lot of White Lawn and Cambric Dresses; yokes trimmed with embroidery and tucks; full widths; deep hem. Regu-lar 30c. dress. Special, 25c.

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25c. Corset Covers, 17c.\$ A nice lot of French Corset Covers; good quality cambric, trimmed with lace and embroidery around neck; all perfect fitting. The regular 25c. kind, for 17c.

75c. Corsets, 49c. A lot of New Straight-front Corsets; made of coutil; well boned; lace-trimmed tops; some exact models of the higher-priced shapes. The kind for which others are asking 75c. Special for 49c.

75c. Kimonas, 49c. A new lot of White Kimona Dressing Sacques; finished with plnk, blue and lavender; short back, long front. The very pretty effects the kind that usually sell for 75c. Our price of 49c. is an exceptional bargain.

Special Sale of 25C.

A lot comprising Chemises, Drawers, Corset Covers, Baby Slips, long and short: Drawers in 5 different styles, some with wide lawn hemstitchied ruffles, others with tucks and hemstitching, some lace-trimmed around bottom, also some with deep hems, inserting above; Covers with rows of Vallace up and down, another style with lace across front in 4 rows and other styles too numerous to mention. Worth up to 40c. Special, 25c.

Boys' Pique \$1.19 One lot of Boys' Pique Kilt Suits; deep sailor collar, embroidery trimmed; trim-med front with belt. Regular \$1.50 suit. Special, \$1.19.

### Bieyele Tires Were Costly. James Given was today convicted in the Police Court of the larceny of two bicycle tires, valued at \$4, from his employer,

Sports Held for Trial.

Patrick Raedy, the pugliist, and Patrick

ISSUES OF THEIR FIGHT SET FORTH ANNUAL COMPETITION AT NEW BASE BY JOHN G. CAPERS.

Both Men Well Equipped for the Im-Carolina

An interesting contribution was made today to the McLaurin-Tillman controversy by Mr. John G. Capers, recently appointed United States district attorney for South Carolina. Mr. Capers, who has been seriously ill at his residence in Rockville, Md., was at his office in the annex of the Department of Justice, on Lafayette square, for the first time in several weeks and received many congratulations upon his convalescence. Among those who saw him was an Evening Star reporter, who was aware of Mr. Capers' familiarity with affairs in South Carolina, of which state he is a native and where he had constantly resided until the past few years. He was the manager of the campaign of Gen. Matthew C. Butler in his contest against Senator Till-man for the United States Senate, and is man for the United States Senate, and is also familiar with the campaign the latter waged for governor when Senator McLaurin, who ran on the same ticket and was elected attorney general, was regarded by Mr. Tillman as the most powerful campaigner in his retinue. Mr. Capers was an ardent democrat until four years ago, when he became so thoroughly satisfied that his party was hopelessly Bryanized that he found himself compelled to leave it. Senator McLaurin, on the other hand, still believes that sound money, a proper measure lieves that sound money, a proper measure of protection, expansion and a support of the administration's foreign policy can be brought about through the democratic party, and accordingly denies the assertion that he has placed himself outside of its breastworks. Mr. Capers and Senator Mc-Laurin are warm friends, despite this politi-cal difference, as they have been for many

McLaurinism vs. Tillmanism. When The Star reporter asked the former what he thought about the sensational action of the two senators, Mr. Capers said that he had not had an opportunity to talk with Senator McLaurin, and had not heard from him since the developments at Gaffney Saturday. He stated that he had analyzed the situation from his knowledge analyzed the situation from his knowledge of the two men and his familiarity with their methods and their lines of thought in political matters, and that he felt satisfied that Senator McLaurin had long since fully appreciated the fact that he would have to meet his opponent, whoever he might be, in a contest in which the lines would be sharply drawn between McLaurinism on the one hand and Tillmanism on the other.

viction and ability to meet the issue be-fore the people of his state," said Mr. Capers, "and he therefore prefers to make the supreme test and array himself directly against Senator Tillman, rather than against one of the latter's proteges. The result of a contest of this character would leave no earthly doubt as to the sentiments of the democrats of South Carolina upon the respective issues represented by the senior and junior senators of that state."
"What do you mean by Tillman's prote-

queried the reporter. "Well, for instance," returned Mr. Ca-pers, "it has been well understood that Senator Tillman favored Congressman Latsenator himan rayored congressman Lat-imer as the most available man to repre-sent his, Tillman's, views, as opposed to Senator McLaurin's. The latter, however, seems to have had the courage to invite Senator Tillman to enter the green him Senator Tillman to enter the arena him-self and meet him face to face, rather than by proxy. I regard it as a broad and brave action on McLaurin's part."

Both Men Able Campaigners. "How are the gladiators matched?" ask-

ed the reporter. "Senator Tillman's most bitter enemies do not deny him an audacity and force as a campaigner seldom equaled in modern political life. It would be a great mistake to think that Senator McLaurin lacks in aggressiveness or power on the stump. He can easily rise to oratory of a high order, and, on the other hand, he, too, has been something of his campaigning abilities, and I believe he is better equipped, all things taken into consideration, than any public man in South Corollar. man in South Carolina to meet Senator Tillman in joint debate before the democities and the rural districts. Looked at from any standpoint," said Mr. Capers in conclusion, "the fight will be an interesting one."

COMMISSIONER A GUEST. Mr. Macfarland at the Meeting of a

Citizens' Association.

The North Capitol and Eckington Citizens' Association met last evening and had as its guest Commissioner Macfarland, who had been invited to attend the meeting by President Wm. G. Henderson. The meeting was held in the lecture room of the Church of the United Brethren, corner of North Capitol and R streets. Mr. Macfarland was given a cordial reception. The Commissioner was called upon for remarks and spoke briefly. He had always regarded associations of citizens as elements of good in the community, but since he had filled his present official position he had formed a still higher regard for them. Even if such associations should criticise unfairly, such criticism was better than indiffer-ence toward municipal affairs. Mr. Macfarland assured the association of the de-sire of the present board of Commissionall of their predecessors, to fulfill by their acts the motto borne by the seal of the District of Columbia. "Justitia Omnibus."

ers, as he believed had been the case with Mr. Henderson then assured the Commissioner of the great confidence the association has always felt in his fairness in re-gard to all sections of the city. A recess was taken, during which members of the association had an opportunity to meet the

The usual business of the association was then transacted. Colonel Bingham, superintendent of public buildings and grounds, was given a vote of thanks for locating a fountain in

Truxton circle. It was decided by vote that at the June meeting, when Mr. Thomas W. Smith is expected to speak before the association in support of his plan to have school sites for future needs purchased now and held by the District until required, no action shall be taken upon the proposition at that meeting.

President Henderson was appointed one of a committee of two, with power to se-lect his colleague, to co-operate with rep-resentatives of other citizens' associations to urge legislation for the changing of the date of inauguration ceremonies to one later in the spring.

LOSES VALUABLES.

Home of Mr. Wilkerson Entered by Thieves This Morning. Charles C. Wilkerson, living at 221 9th

street southeast, reported to the police today that burglars visited his house atean early hour this morning and carried off property valued at about \$100. The house was entered by breaking the glass in the rear window, enabling the burglars to open the fastening.

It was about 7 o'clock this morning when the robbery was discovered, and the police were notified, in order that no time might be lost in making an effort to overtake the visitors.

A combination diamond shirt stud, val-ued at \$75, and a coat and vest and a number of handkerchiefs were carried off. The diamond stud was taken from Mr. Wilkerson's shirt bosom. This is his second loss by the same process, his house having been robbed a short time ago, and he is naturally anxious that the thieves shall be

Three Months for Cutting Two Men. Raymond White, colored, was today convicted in the Police Court of cutting Horace Butler and John Edwards, also colored, with a knife during a fight some days ago, and Judge O'Donnell sent him to jail for three months.

BALL PARK.

Introduction of New Feature by the Instructor-Roster of Battalion and Company Officers.

The three companies of the battalion of cadets of the Colored High School will successively salute the judges and proceed to show the results of their year's work at the new base ball park, 14th street and Florida avenue northeast, May 31, should the weather permit, if not, then on June 1. The drill this year promises unusual interest, because of the introduction by the instructor, Major Arthur C. Brooks, 1st Separate Battalion, D. C. N. G., of an extended order exercise, in which platoons advance by rushes on an imaginary enemy, lie down, load and fire several volleys, and finally capture the fortifications at the

point of the bayonet.

As a result of his years of experience in high school work, Director F. R. Lane knows the value of and is able to give direct encouragement to every advance in the military organization. Principal R. H. Terrell of the Colored High School is also enthusiastic in all that pertains to the battalion, the officers and non-commissioned officers being required to share with him the responsibility for the movement of the boys through the school building at all times.

times.

Their conclusion is that among the many departments of high school work adapted to fitting the pupils for later life none is accepted with greater zest or carried through with greater enthusiasm than the military drill. It is not without its beneficial effect, they say, upon the school-life of the pupil, as may be seen in the ease and proficiency with which positions of leadership in daily line movements and physical development exercises are filled of leadership in daily line movements and physical development exercises are filled by both boys and girls. This is regarded as especially valuable to the pupils of the M Street High School, because the young men are enabled to secure that training for the responsibilities of intelligent leadership which is denied to most of them in other avenues and that discipling with other avenues, and that discipline which other avenues, and that discipline which comes in the ranks from a willingness to obey constituted authorities in order to make possible the perfect work of an organization. The officers are not simply chosen to command, but are selected from among the "honor boys," and must be above the ranks in scholarship, deportment and efficiency.

Personnel of the Battalion. The major, Walter P. Ray, is a brother of former victorious captain, who won his

medal and the compliments of the judges in a downpour of rain three years ago. The adjutant, Roland R. Johnson, and the sergeant major, Roscoe C. Orme, are regarded as good students, good cadets and admirable staff officers, and are prime favorites with the feminine contingent.

Company A is captained by Darnley Hawkesworth of B 4, whose precision and unusual deliberations have served to give his company that polish in details which may make up for their lack of snap. He has been ably seconded by Lieuts. Clarence Lewis and Chester Jarvis. Capt. Bannister of "B" is a winner of second size in all the control of of "B" is a winner of several prizes in all-round athletics and is classed as a "born handler of men." His enthusiasm is almost boundless and just as contagious. His lieutenants, Arthur Turner and James Camp-bell, are close students of drill regulations and have given much assistance in bringing the company up to its present point of excellence. They have the additional impulse to success coming from the fact that they command the company whose letter has most frequently marched forward after a severe contest to receive the much-prized ribbons and medal. The captain of "C". ribbons and medal. The captain of "C," Robert N. Mattingly, has won his honors in the third year of his school work, a fact which attests his ability. His company has made a specialty of firing and can give volley after volley like veterans. His lieu-tenants, William Tolson and Frederick Morresult. This company is noticeable for the large number of self-supporting boys in its ranks, a condition not uncommon in the born and raised on a farm and is perfectly familiar with the plain and forceful figures of speech which so deemly improved figures colored High School, and for which the of speech which so deeply impress the audiences in the rural districts. I know something of his campaigning about their means of support.

Most of the cadets are actuated in school work by a desire not simply to get an education, but to make something of themselves; and in the competition not simply to win the medal, but to put up a good drill, to show their training, the results of disci-

The judges who will determine the result are Maj. C. H. Ourand, inspector general, District of Columbia Militia; Capt. E. C. Edwards and First Lieut. C. A. Meyer, both of Company A, 2d Battalion, District of Columbia National Guard.

Roster of the Battalion. The roster of the Colored High School Battalion is as follows: Walter P. Ray, major; Roland R. Johnson, adjutant; Ros-

Orme, sergeant major; Clifford Lomax, bugle sergeant. Company A.

Darnley Hawkesworth, captain; Clar ence Lewis, first lieutenant; Chester Jarvis, second lieutenant; William Maxwell, first sergeant; Joseph Johnson, second sergeant; Roscoe Wormley, third sergeant; French Tyson, fourth sergeant; Alphonso Lee, fifth sergeant.

Corporals-Richard Crier, Walter Dixon Charles Hill, Wendell Smith.
Privates—Ernest Amos, Enoch Addison. Jeremiah Baltimore, Austin Battle, Henry J. Booker, Harry Brown, Le Count Burgess, Louis Bush, Milton Bush, Willie Clarke Franklin Childs, Andrew Holmes, Sandy Hunter, Sterling Horton, Chapel Orby, Richard Johnson, Richard Jones, Edward Lawson, Eugene Lucas, Edward Morton, Henry Newman, James Nelson, James Powell, Roy Qualls, John Spriggs, Joseph Smothers, James Thomas, Jesse Tilghman, Benjamin Withers, Robert Williams, Willlam Wilkerson.

Company B.

Clayton Bannister, captain; Arthur Turner, first lieutenant; James Campbell, second lieutenant; Rutherford Berryman, first sergeant: Eugene Clark, second sergeant: George Sadgwar, third sergeant; Royal Munday, fourth sergeant; William Fair. fifth sergeant; corporals, Joseph Cogbill, Ernest Pinn, William Tinney, Roscoe

Vaughn. Privates-James Bowie, Chester Dodson, Norris Dodson, Hugh Francis, Burnett Gardner, David Gaskins, William Grant, Woolsey Hall, Isaiah Hatton, Maxwell Hayson, James Hughes, Bernard Key, Wendell Nalle, Eugene Liverpool, Chester Martin Aubrey Morton, Robert Peters, Clarence Rose, George Robinson, Andrew Thomas, Charles Thompson, Charles Turner. Company C.

Robert N. Mattingly, captain; William Tolson, first lieutenant; Frederick Morton, second lieutenant; William E. Lewis, first sergeant; Roscoe Brown, second sergeant; Alfred Brent, third sergeant; Harry Tignor, fourth sergeant; Prince Beaman, fifth sergeant. Corporals: Josiah C. Henderson, Thomas Johnson, James F. Lawson and Nathaniel Murray.

Nathaniel Murray.
Privates — Horace Anderson, Warner
Brown, Samuel Bullock, Benjamin Clark,
John C. Clark, George J. Clark, Samuel
Compton, Charles Dorsey, Daniel Edmunds, Jesse J. Gardiner, West A. Hamilton, Louis Howell, Louis Jackson, Albert ton, Louis Howeit, Louis Jackson, Albert Knorl, Edward Lewis, Samuel Liggons, William Lomax, Richard Nugent, Leon Perry, Robert Queen, George Shippen, John Smith, Oscar Smith, Elzie Sudler, John H. Wilson, George Worthman.

ASPHALT CASE IN VENEZUELA. Decision Against the New York and

A dispatch from Caracas, Venezuela, yesterday says: The supreme court of Venezuela has refused to allow the exceptions taken by the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company in the lawsuit resulting from the asphalt controversy. Messra. Quinlan and Warner of Syracuse are the plaintiffs in the case. The Venezuelan government is alarmed

Langlois' Retiring Sale. A Rush to Sell Shoes.

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The store has been rented—the sale must be rushed now to give the new tenant possession as soon as possible. The last shipment of shoes is now on sale. It has been against our policy to indulge in sensationalism or sensational advertising-but this occasion allows of nothing else now. These shoes must be sold-and quickly. Prices warrant the biggest shoe buying that has ever been done in Washington.

\$6.50 Hand Made French Patent Calf Boots, \$3.35. Louis heel-including both button and lace styles; also Sealskin-top Patent Leather Walking Boots-and all the \$6.50 Boots in the store at \$3.35.

\$5.00 Hand Made French Patent Calf Shoes, \$2.45.

Louis heel-and also your choice of all the Low Shoes in the store from \$3.00 up-welt soles, turn soles; kidskin, calfskin, patent leather, patent kid-\$2.45.

\$3 to \$5 High Shoes - - - \$2.40 Including all the "Diamond" Shoes and the remnants of the \$3.50

40c. Child's Rubbers.....25c.

\$3.00 Home Comforts - - \$2.15 \$2.50 Home Comforts - - \$1.95

\$2.50 Foot Form Oxfords, \$1.85.

New, fresh goods, in all widths, all sizes and all style turn soles-for summer wear. Most customers buy at least two pairs-many five pairs, some eight pairs, and one lady bought thirteen pairs. Consider the price.

\$1.00 Men's Rubbers.....5oc. |\$3 Three=Piece Shoe Trees. All Child's Shoes REDUCED. 65c. Ladies' Rubbers ..... 35c. \$1 Golf Soles-rubber knobs on leather-can be attached to 50c. Misses' Rubbers.....30c. any shoes. If you are quick you buy them for ..... 25c.

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FAILED TO MOVE THE SECRETARY.

Hearing Given Cadets Did Not Change the Situation Messrs. Bowlby, Cleveland, Keller, Mahaffey and Linton, the five cadets at the Military Academy recently dismissed for alleged mutinous conduct, had a hearing at before Secretary Root and Judge Advocate

General Davis. At the conclusion of the conference Secretary Root said that there had been no change in the situation. The cadets had been furnished copies of the charges made against them and had made their reply. These replies were taken under consideration by the military board which investigated the recent disorder at the academy and recommended the dismissal of these five men and the suspension of six others. The superintendent of the academy concurred in the recommendations and they have been carried into effect by the approval of the Secretary of War. Secretary Root said that the cases had been carefully investigated and considered and the statements made to him by the cadets had not changed his opinion as to the propriety of the ac-tion. The main contention of the young men was that other cadets equally or more guilty than they had not been punished so exact justice in the matter. They were informed that it often happened that some of the gullty escaped punishment where large crowds were engaged, as was the case with the disorders at the academy. According to Secretary Root their own admissions convicted them of complicity in

the disorders. The dismissed cadets declined to make any public statement regarding their cases at this time, but intimated that they might do so at a later period in case it was deemed advantageous.

Mr. Cleveland, one of the cadets, said last night that as far as he was concerned

the incident was closed. "The Secretary received us and was kind enough to listen to all we had to say on the subject," he said, "but as he had stated that he had no intention of reversing the action already taken by the department, we did not have much hope that the interview would result in a favorable manner. We simply wished to state our side of the case, as we considered our right." The Secretary of War has approved the findings of the court-martial in the cases of Cadets Vernon and Perry, and they have been dismissed from the academy. These young men invited each other to dinner young men invited each other to dinner and got excused on the ground that they had invitations to dine out. They were found dining together at Newburg by an officer of the academy and their deception

NEWSDEALER IN COURT. Charged With Distribution of Indecent Pictures.

Herman Schrot, a newsdealer, was to day charged in the Police Court with having been the means of distributing indecent pictures in this city. He pleaded not guilty and was released on \$50 collateral for his appearance for further proceedings to-Mr. Schrot explained to Judge O'Donnell

that he was simply acting as the agent of a New York party in the matter, and was not aware that he was violating any law. Augustus C. Thornette, Jeremiah Kelither, James Hunt, Raymond Snooks and John O'Brien, who were arrested yesterday while circulating the pictures, were upon the recommendation of Prosecutor Mullowny released on personal bonds, to Murphy, a local sporting man, who were arrested last evening while engaged in an affray at 15th and H streets northeast.

Were teday released on \$10 collateral each for a hearing in the Police Court on June \$8.

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\$ my28-tn,th,s-3t RECOMMENDS CANCELLATION.

Assessor Darneille's View of a Water Main Tax. Mr. H. H. Darneille, the District assessor, has rendered a report upon the request of C. C. Lancaster for the cancellation of a reassessed water main tax against 17.11 the War Department yesterday afternoon acres of land owned by him on Brightwood avenue between Ontario and Quinnebaug streets. Mr. Darnellle refers to the laws

governing water main assessments and quotes the amendment provided by the act of June 2, 1900, as follows: "That hereafter, whenever a water main or mains shall be laid in the District of Columbia, the water main assessment or tax authorized by law shall be assessed within thirty days after such water main or mains shall have been laid, and the owner or owners affected by the assessment or tax shall be notified that the same has been assessed," etc.
"It also provides," he says, "that the Commissioners of the District of Columbia be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to cancel the assessments of water main taxes unpaid on Brightwood avenue for the laying of the water main about July 20, 1895, from Fort Reno reservoir to and on Brightwood avenue from the Military road to Aspen street, where the water has not been introduced from said main on adjoining property since said water main was laid; and they are author-

laying said main on Brightwood avenue laying said main on Brightwood avenue according to existing law.

"The existing law referred to, in my opinion, is very clearly that portion of the law of July 8, 1898, beginning with section 2 and running down to the part at end of said section that was repealed by the above set of June 2, 1998. the above act of June 2, 1900. "The law in this case clearly shows this to be an illegal assessment, and I there-fore have the honor to recommend its can-

ized and directed to reassess the tax for

TO INSPECT TORPEDO BOATS. Lieut. Ward to Be Given Command of the Lawrence. Lleut, H. H. Ward, who has for several

years been attached to the navigation bureau, has been ordered to inspection duty in connection with the torpedo boats Lawrence and MacDonough, with the ultimate purpose of taking command of the former vessel when she is commissioned. Mr. Ward administered some of the heaviest duties of the navigation bureau during the Spanish-American war and since, and it was while nominally attached to the bureau that he slipped away to Spain in the guise of an English tourist during the early days of the war, and obtained valuable information concerning the movements and condition of the Spanish fleet, in recognition of which service he was advanced ten numbers in his grade.

Lieut. Charles Webster, who has been for some time in the navigation bureau, assumes the duties which have heretofore

from the Lancaster. Presentation of "The Princess." "The Princess," an original dramatization, was rendered before a large audience last night by members of the senior class of Mount Vernon Seminary, corner of 11th and M streets northwest. The parlors of

fallen to Lieut, Ward, and he will be assisted by Lieut. C. B. Barnes, just detached

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you should buy them. 35c. Jap. Matting, 25c. 25c. China Mat'g, 19c. 16c. China Mat'g, 121/2c. 121/2c.China Mat'g. 83/c.

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Miss Luette Spitzer; Melissa, Miss Julia Goldsborough; Portress, Miss Lenora Courts; the Prince, Miss Louise Lovett; Florian, Miss Mary Stocking; Cyril, Miss Marian Dall; Herald, Miss Alice Wilson; Clerk, Miss Jessie Lennox; attendants, Miss Grace Harding and Miss Ruth Halford: ladies in waiting, students, guards and page, by members of the junior class. An informal dance followed the play and

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light refreshments were served.

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Pain Pills.

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Charles T. Hunter, and Judge O'Donnell fined him \$10, with the alternative of thirty days in jail.

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